

Title 5—DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
Division 100—Missouri Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
Chapter 200—Board for Certification of Interpreters
Provisional Certificate in Education

209.321. 1. No person shall represent himself or herself as an interpreter or engage in the practice of interpreting as defined in section 209.285 in the state of Missouri unless such person is licensed as required by the provisions of sections 209.319 to 209.339.

8. (1) The board for certification of interpreters shall grant a provisional certificate in education for any applicant who meets either of the following criteria:

(a) The applicant possesses a current valid certification in the Missouri interpreters certification system at either the novice or apprentice level and holds a valid license to provide interpreting services; or

(b) The applicant has submitted an application for certification in the Missouri interpreters certification system and an application for an interpreting license pursuant to sections 209.319 to 209.339 and has taken the written test and performance test or attests that he or she will complete the certification and licensure applications and take the written test within sixty days following the date of application for a provisional certificate in education and will complete the performance test within sixty days following passage of the written test.

(2) The board shall issue the provisional certificate in education within ten business days following receipt of a complete application.

(3) A provisional certificate issued under paragraph (a) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be valid for a term of three years and shall be renewed by the board, upon request by the certificate holder, for one additional term of three years if the certificate holder is reevaluated during the first term of issuance and achieves a higher level of certification in the Missouri interpreter certification system.

(4) A provisional certificate issued under paragraph (b) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be valid for one year and shall be renewed, upon request by the certificate holder, pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection if the certificate holder is reevaluated during the term of issuance and achieves a certification in the Missouri interpreter certification system. Such renewed certificate shall be subject to the term length and renewal provisions of subdivision (3) of this subsection.

(5) A provisional certificate in education shall be limited to providing interpreters services in preschool, elementary and secondary school settings or as allowed by any other valid Missouri certification or license held by the individual.

(6) A provisional certificate in education may be revoked by the board if the person makes any misrepresentations or fails to fulfill any commitment made pursuant to paragraph (b) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, or violates the provisions of section 209.317 or 209.334 or breaks any of the ethical rules of conduct for interpreters as established by state rule or fails to obtain the necessary continuing education credits required for certification maintenance.

PUBLIC NOTICE: The Board for Certification of Interpreters wishes to emphasize that the PCED may be revoked by the board if the person makes any misrepresentations pursuant to paragraph (1)(C)2. above, or if the person commits any of the actions listed in 209.317.1(1)-(5), RSMo, or 209.334.2 (1)–(14), RSMo. It may also be revoked by the board if the holder breaks any of the Ethical Rules of Conduct for interpreters defined in 4 CSR 232-3.010, or fails to obtain the necessary Continuing Education Units required for certification maintenance as detailed in 5 CSR 100-200.130. PCED holders who plan to apply for an extension of their certification are STRONGLY URGED to take the certification test several months before the expiration of their PCED. Interpreters must have a certification and license to practice.

I, the undersigned, have read the statute concerning the Provisional Certificate in Education, as well as the above PUBLIC NOTICE, and fully understand my responsibility pursuant to the rule and notice.

PCED Applicant

Signature

Printed Name

Date

(12/15/04)